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Leon Guerrero – Tenorio Administration Delivers \$8.1M to Homeowners & Ratepayers

Guam HAF Program Cycle 4 Application Period Pauses March 3, 2023

Tamuning, Guam (February 20, 2023) – The Leon Guerrero-Tenorio Administration's Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF) program, administered by the Department of Administration (DOA), has delivered a total of \$8.1 million in combined mortgage, utility, and property relief assistance to families experiencing financial challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"In just one year, our government succeeded in implementing a meaningful safety net for our island's most vulnerable homeowners," said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. "We delivered critical relief funding to over 1,200 households to date, and our administration continues working to secure more sustainable and substantive housing support to protect Guam's homeowners in the long term."

"Just months ago, we announced the expansion of HAF eligibility requirements to provide hundreds of more families access to mortgage assistance, and since then, hundreds more have qualified," said Lt. Governor Josh Tenorio. "The Governor and I always will remain attuned to the needs of Guam's people, and we are committed to ensuring every opportunity to provide relief is captured."

The HAF program will temporarily pause the Cycle 4 application period on Friday, March 3, 2023 at 5 p.m. Applications submitted on or prior to this date will be reviewed for eligibility and processing. The HAF eligibility criteria and digital application are available online at doa.guam.gov. Hard copy applications may be picked up and submitted on the 2nd floor of the ITC building, Suite 215, in Tamuning, and at the Government of Guam Relief Center on the 3rd floor of the Bank of Hawaii building in Hagåtña.

For more information, visit <u>doa.guam.gov</u> or contact the HAF program office at <u>haf@doa.guam.gov</u> or (671) 638-3814/5, or call the Guam Relief Center at (671) 475-2060.